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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: MM Docket No. 99-325

Presentation of National Public Radio, Inc.

Ex Parte Notice

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1200, <u>et seq.</u>, of the Commission's Rules, National Public Radio, Inc. ("NPR") hereby notifies the Commission of the following *ex parte* presentation in the above-referenced proceeding.

On Friday, July 29, 2005, Kevin Klose, NPR President and Chief Executive Officer, and Mike Riksen, NPR Vice President for Government Relations, met with Commissioner Adelstein and Rudy Brioche, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Adelstein, to discuss public radio's continuing interest in digital radio broadcasting, specifically including digital audio multicasting. NPR reported on the progress of NPR stations in converting to digital operation, stressed the importance of multicasting in enabling public radio to increase and enhance its public service programming, and urged the Commission to authorize multicasting as a routine part of digital radio operations.

Please direct any questions you may have to the undersigned at 202-513-2050.

Sincerely,

Gregory A. Lewis /s/

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